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SUBJECT: OECD MINISTERIAL: SECRETARIAT PROPOSED DRAFT
ENTRY IN COUNCIL MINUTES ON NORTH/SOUTH RELATIONS

THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF A SECRETARIAT NOTE ON AGENDA
ITEM 2 FOR THE OECD MINISTERIAL, "INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES":

BEGIN TEXT:

1. ATTACHED HERETO IS A DRAFT ENTRY IN THE COUNCIL
MINUTES WHICH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL INTENDS TO PROPOSE
TO MINISTERS FOR ADOPTION IN CONNECTION WITH AGENDA
ITEM 2, "INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH
SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES"
(C(77)110).

2. THE SECRETARY-GENERAL INVITES COMMENTS ON THE
PROPOSED DRAFT ENTRY. AFTER HEARING AND REFLECTING
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ON THESE COMMENTS, HE WILL INCORPORATE THE DRAFT
ENTRY INTO THE NOTE ON "INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC
RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES" WHICH HE WILL ISSUE IN FINAL FORM UNDER
HIS RESPONSIBILITY AS PART OF THE DOCUMENTATION FOR
THE MINISTERIAL MEETING.

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL
REFERENCE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

"THE COUNCIL

(A) NOTED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PAPER (C(77)110),
THE STATEMENTS MADE BY DELEGATES DURING THE
DISCUSSION, AND THE CHAIRMAN'S CONCLUDING
REMARKS;

(B) NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF OECD MEMBER
COUNTRIES HAVE ADOPTED A DECLARATION ON
RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE
OUTCOME OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION;)

(C) INSTRUCTED THE ORGANIZATION TO PURSUE ACTIVELY
ITS WORK ON DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION AND TO
EXAMINE, IN THE LIGHT OF THE RAPID CHANGES
THAT ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE WORLD ECONOMY
AND TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE RESULTS OF THE
CIEC AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER RELEVANT INSTITUTIONS, THE NEED
FOR A REAPPRAISAL OF OBJECTIVES, APPROACHES
AND POLICIES OF MEMBER GOVERNMENTS IN ORDER
TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE BASIS FOR CONSTRUC-
TIVE CO-OPERATION WITH THE DEVELOPING COUN-
TRIES IN THE COMING DECADE;

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(D) STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF CLOSE COLLABORA-
TION AND STRENGTHENED CO-ORDINATION, IN THE
ORGANIZATION, TO ASSIST MEMBER GOVERNMENTS
TO PREPARE FOR SPECIFIC DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE VARIOUS INTER-
NATIONAL FORA, AND AGREED THAT THIS MORE
IMMEDIATE PREPATORY WORK, WHICH SHOULD BE
GUIDED BY THE EFFORT TO EVOLVE A PROPER
LONGER-TERM ORIENTATION, SHOULD BE ORGANIZED
BY THE COUNCIL ON A FLEXIBLE AD HOC BASIS;

(E) NOTED THAT THE HIGHT-LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES
WILL UNDERTAKE CONSULTATIONS AMONG MEMBER
COUNTRIES IN ADVANCE OF THE RESUMPTION OF THE
UNITED NATIONS NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE ON A
COMMON FUND NEXT NOVEMBER;

(F) NOTED THAT, UNDER THE COUNCIL, THE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE IN SPECIAL SESSION WILL CONSIDER

THE BROAD POLITICAL AND POLICY ISSUES INVOLVED

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IN (C), (D), AND (E) ABOVE, ASSISTED BY OTHER
BODIES OF THE ORGANIZATION, NOTABLY THE
DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE ESPECIALLY
AS REGARDS THE ROLE OF RESOURCE TRANSFER
POLICIES AND THEIR RELATION TO OTHER FORMS
OF DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION;

(G) AGREED ON THE NEED FOR REVIEW AND ANALYSIS
IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE RAPID CHANGES IN
PRODUCTION AND TRADING PATTERNS IN THE WORLD
ECONOMY AND ON POLICIES WHICH FACILITATE
ADAPTATION TO SUCH CHANGES, BEARING IN MIND
THE VITAL NEED TO MAINTAIN AN OPEN WORLD ECO-
NOMIC SYSTEM, AND THE ESSENTIALLY TRANSITORY
NATURE OF DIFFICULTIES ARISING FROM THE
DEPTH OF THE RECENT RECESSION, THE INTEN-
TIONALLY MODERATE PACE OF RECOVERY AND
STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENTS TO HIGHER ENERGY PRICES
WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK

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(I) EVERY EFFORT SHUOULD BE MADE TO IDENTIFY
EMERGING PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY ASSUME
CRITICAL PROPORTIONS AND THE PROCEED TO
MULTILATERAL CONSULTATIONS IN THEIR
REGARD;

(II) THERE SHOULD BE AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON
EXPERIENCE IN MEMBER COUNTRIES WITH
SPECIFIC MEASURES DESIGNED TO FACILITATE
ADAPTATION TO CHANGING PATTERNS OF
PRODUCTION AND TRADE;

(H) NOTED THE DISCUSSION OF THE POLITICAL AND
INSTITUTIONAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE CHANGES
TAKING PLACE IN THE WORLD ECONOMY AND AGREED
THAT THESE QUESTIONS NEED TO BE STUDIED
FURTHER, AND INVITED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
TO EXAMINE THE SCOPE FOR CLOSER CONSULTATION
AND COMMUNICATION ON QUESTIONS OF COMMON
CONCERN WITH INTERESTED NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES
AND REPORT TO THE COUNCIL."

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